



Iowa Smart Planning Task Force Committee Report Template

Committee Name: Intergovernmental Coordination & Information Sharing
Co-Chairs: Emily Hajek and Don Temeyer
Workgroup: Integration of Smart Planning Principles
Chair: Emily Hajek
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Scope of committee work:

The Iowa Smart Planning bill articulates ten Iowa Smart Planning Principles for application in local comprehensive planning development and public investment decision-making. It also requires that state agencies consider Smart Planning Principles when planning for the future. The Principles are intended to guide state-level decision-making processes as they relate to local and regional community planning and state programmatic development. The types of decisions that should consider the Principles are those that impact the built environment in local communities and capital investments. More specifically, the types of decisions when one should consider the Principles are those that affect how Iowa communities grow, change, and resize such as planning, zoning, development, and resource management.

The task of the Integration Workgroup is to evaluate state policies, programs, statutes, and rules to determine if they should be revised to integrate smart planning principles. Given the short time-frame available for the first set of recommendations from this group, we will focus on determining a process for this evaluation and not completing the full evaluation.

Recommendations

List and explain the proposals this committee has chosen to recommend to the Iowa Smart Planning Task Force for consideration in its report to the Governor and General Assembly. Include the following information with each proposal:

- List the directive from SF2389 that is answered by this proposal
- Describe the proposal
- Articulate how this will positively impact Iowa (include why this is needed)
- Identify reports, best practices, and other resources that were consulted while developing the proposal
- Identify impacted agencies and organizations
- Determine if new legislation is necessary, current law(s) needs to be revised (identify Code section(s)), or improvements can be made without legislative action
- Estimate resources needed to implement the proposal (include multi-year state fiscal impact, whether this is a one-time or multi-year cost, potential funding sources, number of FTEs needed, and any other information as appropriate)

- Which directives listed in SF2389 were not fully addressed and what is the plan/process to address them by December 2012?

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